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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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For: SURFACE TREATMENT METHOD USING ELECTRIC DISCHARGE, AND AN ELECTRODE FOR THE SURFACE TREATMENT METHOD

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 11, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

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Please cancel claim 2 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please enter the following amended claims:

1. (Amended) A discharge surface treatment method, the method comprising the steps

of:

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generating an electric discharge, in a pulse form, between an electrode and a workpiece in a working liquid containing no carbon components, the electrode being formed with a material having a solid lubricant effect; and

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